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### **ELECTION AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 2327 Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Requirement for Restriction, mailed September 11, 2001, applicant elects, without traverse, group I, claims 1-35, 37-46 and 69-73, directed to nucleic acid molecules, vectors, host cells and fusion proteins. Applicant further elects estrogen receptors as a species for searching purposes. Claims 1-35, 37-46 and 69-73 read on the elected species.

### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 47-68 without prejudice or disclaimer.

### **REMARKS**

Any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper or with this application may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213. If a Petition for Extension of time is needed, this paper is to be considered such Petition.

Claims 1-35, 37-46 and 69-73 are pending. Claims 47-68, which are nonelected, are cancelled herein. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application to the non-elected subject matter.

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In view of the remarks herein, examination of on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 2327 Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to the Office Action, mailed on September 11, 2001, for filing in connection with the above-referenced application.

### Extension fee for response within second month:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this fee and any fees, including  $\mathbf{x}$ the fee for the extension of time, if the above noted amount is incorrect, that may be due in connection with this and the attached papers or with this application during its entire pendency to Deposit Account No. 50-1213. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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